# **Council on Educational Technology**

Collette Educational Resource Center 35 Commerce Way Dover, Delaware 19904 Conference Room C

# **Meeting Minutes**

September 26, 2019 12p.m.

Members Present: Kristine Bewley, Caleb Bontrager, Chris Cohan, Patches Hill, Michael League,

Chuck Longfellow, Alyssa Moore, Dan Shelton, Phil Smallwood, and Jim White

Members Absent: Ruth Ann Jones, Jon Sheehan, Denise Stouffer, Patrik Williams and Mary Nash

Wilson

Others Present: Tony Clemmons, Nicole Polite, Jennifer Roussell, and Steve Bradley

## I. Opening

A. Call to Order: Alyssa Moore called the meeting to Order at 12:05p.m.

#### B. Roll Call

Alyssa Moore conducted roll call for the meeting with 10 members present (Bewley, Bontrager, Cohan, Hill, League, Longfellow, Moore, Shelton, Smallwood and White).

#### C. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Chuck Longfellow and seconded by Kristine Bewley to approve the September 26, 2019 agenda. *The motion carried unanimously* (Bewley, Bontrager, Cohan, Hill, League, Longfellow, Moore, Shelton, Smallwood and White).

## **D.** Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Chuck Longfellow and seconded by Kristine Bewley to approve the September 11, 2019 minutes. *The motion carried unanimously* (Bewley, Bontrager, Cohan, Hill, League, Longfellow, Moore, Shelton, Smallwood and White).

## **II.** Ongoing Presentations

#### A. Presentation on Content Filtering

No changes were made to the council's Content Filtering Recommendation approved at the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Discussion took place around the budgetary costs, explaining that

student and device growth remains consistent over the next 5 years, solution cost will remain consistent over the 5 year period and current hardware and software does not fail beyond what is slated to be replaced. Also stating that if one of the budget options is not fully funded, the network for K-12 education will saturate in 2021 causing network traffic flow to be interrupted during large portions of the day. Educational resources, assessment, business systems and instruction associated will be interrupted and impeded.

i. Financial considerations: The council went over detailed analysis charts for each scenario and recommended that the K12 solution is to move to a Cloud Based Filtering Solution with necessary hardware upgrades and DTI FTE to keep up with growth, which is estimated at 10M over 5 years. The second option would be to continue with the existing solution by remaining on a On-Prem Filter system with necessary upgrades and DTI FTE to keep up with growth is estimated at 13M over a 5 year period.

If the recommended solution is funded, the idea would be to implement the Hardware and Personnel upgrades in FY21, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, followed by implementation of the Cloud Based Solution in a stepped rollout LEA by LEA between the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Quarters with potential pilots to take place in Quarter 2.

# III. Topics Requiring Council Consideration

- Switches recommendation has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget within DTI and DOE's policy memos.
- Needs Assessment sub-committee will report out in November.

#### IV. Other Items for Discussion

## A. Meeting dates moving forward

The next council meeting will take place in November and continue bi-monthly.

#### V. Public Comment

None

#### VI. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Patches Hill and seconded by Caleb Bontrager. *The motion carried unanimously* (Bewley, Bontrager, Cohan, Hill, League, Longfellow, Moore, Shelton, Smallwood and White). The meeting adjourned at 1:29p.m.